

<b>Notice of Allowability</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>	
	09/755,021	CARROLL ET AL.	
	<b>Examiner</b>	<b>Art Unit</b>	
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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1.  This communication is responsive to amendment of 3-8-05.
2.  The allowed claim(s) is/are 7-22.
3.  The drawings filed on 25 April 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.
4.  Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a)  All
  - b)  Some\*
  - c)  None
 of the:
  1.  Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2.  Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  3.  Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* Certified copies not received: \_\_\_\_\_.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.  
**THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.**

5.  A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
6.  CORRECTED DRAWINGS ( as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
  - (a)  including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review ( PTO-948) attached
    - 1)  hereto or 2)  to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (b)  including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7.  DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

#### Attachment(s)

1.  Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2.  Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3.  Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),  
Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
4.  Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit  
of Biological Material
5.  Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6.  Interview Summary (PTO-413),  
Paper No./Mail Date attached.
7.  Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8.  Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9.  Other \_\_\_\_\_.

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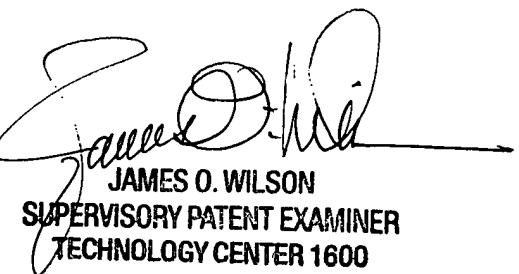
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**EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Cancel claims 1-6.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Derek Mason on May 05, 2005.



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***Allowable Subject Matter***

Applicant's amendment of 03-08-05 has overcome the previous rejection of 112/2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph for claim 22. The cancellation of claims 1-6 has overcome the previous rejection of 112/1<sup>st</sup> paragraph. With no other rejections, pending claims 7-22 are allowed.

***Reasons for Allowance***

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The invention is drawn to compounds of substituted aryl-piperidine-  
 $(N-(CH_2)_2-Z(R_5)-C(X_1X_2)-R_6$ . The closest prior art, **Gluchowski et. al.**  
(US 5,767,131), teaches analogous aryl-piperidine derivatives. However,  
the disclosed compounds have *dihydro-pyridine* as a ring in the carboxamide  
substituent, which is not a ring represented by the instant R<sub>6</sub>. Therefore,  
said reference does not anticipate or render obvious the instant compound  
claims.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the  
payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue  
fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for  
Allowance."

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***References cited on PTO-892***

An update search yields several references cited on PTO=892. Like US'131, they fail to teach a ring represented by the instant R<sub>6</sub>. Therefore, there is no nexus to combine any one of them with US'131 for a prima facie case of obviousness.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tamthom N. Truong whose telephone number is 571-272-0676. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (10:00-6:30).

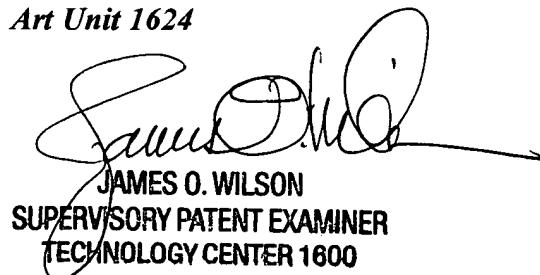
If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James O. Wilson can be reached on 571-272-0661. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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